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## **HARTFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT NEIGHBORHOOD POLICING PLAN**

The Hartford Police Department's Neighborhood Policing Plan calls for the creation of four police Districts comprised of eight (8) zones (see map on page three.) Each District will be commanded by a captain and each zone will be commanded by a lieutenant.

The North Division, to be commanded by Deputy Chief Daryl K. Roberts, will include the Northwest and Northeast Districts; and the South Division, commanded by Deputy Chief Michael Fallon, will include the Southwest and Southeast Districts. The two divisions, four districts and eight zones are as follows:

### North Division includes:

- Northwest District with Zone 1 (Blue Hills) and Zone 2 (West End and Asylum Hill).
- Northeast District made up of Zone 3 (Northeast and North Meadows) and Zone 4 (Upper Albany and Clay Arsenal).

### The South Division includes:

- Southwest District with Zone 5 (South Green and Frog Hollow) and Zone 6 (Parkville, Behind the Rocks and Southwest).
- Southeast District with Zone 7 (Downtown and Sheldon/Charter Oak) and Zone 8 (South Meadows, Southend and Barry Square).

In developing the districts and zones, Deputy Chiefs Fallon and Roberts considered many factors, including: physical barriers, existing neighborhood boundaries, projects underway, input from department members and community input.

Each district captain will act as an advocate and leader for district priorities. The captain and their zone commanders will be in direct contact with their communities. Together, with input from their officers, they will analyze emerging crime patterns. The district captain will be the primary manager of police resources. The captain will have a stake in community progress and the authority to take tangible steps toward solving problems and achieving community goals.

Captains and lieutenants will be advocating for what their officers need to do the job. Community service officers will continue in their capacity of serving as liaison with their respective neighborhoods, but there will now be a neighborhood Zone Commander, responsible and accountable for activities within the zone.

Each district will have a "Conditions Team" to work on quality of life issues and/or pattern crimes as these problems are identified. We have had significant success in pushing down the level of violent crime in Hartford this past year, but property crime has been creeping up and quality of life issues continue to be the foremost concern of many citizens. The Neighborhood Policing Plan will help the police maintain a focus on these important issues and on our primary objective of reducing crime, fear and disorder throughout the city.

Each district will have a narcotics team assigned to investigate the people who actually control narcotics dealing in the neighborhoods. Police efforts will be focused and intensive, as our narcotics teams pursue investigations against the local drug trafficking groups who seem to think they own some of the street corners in Hartford. The narcotics teams will be responsive to District Commanders and will be delivering much more effective and consistent narcotics enforcement aimed at eliminating drug operations and arresting the people running these operations.

The new Neighborhood Policing Plan calls for no change in our current patrol car plan. We will continue to benefit from the great work of community service officers and school resource officers, however, our department philosophy and practice is that every officer in the Hartford Police Department works toward protecting and serving our community, whether by arresting dangerous felons, interdicting narcotic traffickers, investigating past crimes, or doing any of the other many functions that support these efforts.

The plan will be implemented starting on February 6, 2005. The intentions of the plan are clear: that in the not to distant future the Hartford Police Department and its community partners will be recognized as one of the best models of information led community policing in America. As a community we deserve nothing less.